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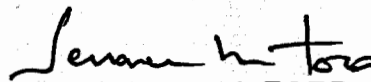
SUBJECT: Air Force Weather (AFW) Support to the Modular Army

1. HQDA, DCS, G-2 received a Statement of Requirement (SOR) for weather support to the Modular Army from HQ, TRADOC. It has been sent to the Air Force to develop a strategy to meet these new requirements. At present, the AF does not know how it will expand manpower and/or use new techniques to meet the Brigade Combat Team (BCT) weather support requirements. While additional manpower is possible, no increase in authorizations is currently projected.
2. Unfortunately, you prematurely received a new Modified Table of Organization and Equipment (MTOE) showing AF Combat Weather Teams (CWTs) at the BCT level. Given current resources, that concept is unsupportable, and we are in the process of changing the Combat Weather Team (CWT) MTOEs back to having CWT equipment only at the Unit of Employment Command Post (UEX CP) and the Aviation Brigade. The next update of the MTOE will reflect these changes.
3. Providing a Weather Team at each BCT would create a potential worldwide shortfall of approximately 250 AFW personnel, a 50% increase in manpower authorizations. The AF placed a wedge in the FY 06 POM to add new manpower, but the reality is it may be 2010 before trained airmen are assigned to your units. Consequently, AF will normally be unable to provide face-to-face support to the new BCTs. However, Staff Weather Officers (SWOs) will work with BCT staffs and appropriate AF organizations to meet BCT weather requirements using remote support to reach back to the UEX CP CWT to get weather information.
4. Experience from 3 ID showed that close coordination is needed between the Weather Team and each BCT to provide remote, reach back support to the BCTs from the UEX CP. G-2s should work with the SWO to ensure the CWT understands the BCT mission, develops adequate communications links, and provides mission-specific weather information to meet BCT requirements within their resources. This is not what we want, nor will it meet the full requirement. However, the AF will work hard to ensure severe weather warnings, forecasts, and weather effects on operations are tailored and sent to your BCTs. Once AFW develops a weather support concept, it will be codified in appropriate Army-AF documents and publications. The objective TOE will also be modified as required.

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